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SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS

JULY 15, L975

1. FOLLOWING ARE THE DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS. IO DID NOT SUBMIT A REPORT.

EB - THOMAS O. ENDERS

1. THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT TOMORROW WILL RELEASE THE LONG AWAITED REPORT ON NATURAL GAS SUPPLIES BY THEIR NATURAL ENERGY BOARD. THE NEB REPORT MAKES FOR GRIM READING AND FORECASTS SUPPLY SHORTAGES AS EARLY AS NEXT WINTER AND INCREASING SHORTAGES IN THE FOLLOWING WINTER. THE GOVERNMENT, IN RELEASING THE REPORT, NOTES THAT THERE WILL NECESSARILY BE SUPPLY INTERRUPTIONS BOTH IN CANADA AND IN EXPORTS, I.E., TO THE U.S. THEY DO, HOWEVER, STATE THAT THEY WILL BE CONSULTING WITH THE U.S. ABOUT THE SUPPLY POSITION. WHEN THE REPORT IS RELEASED LATE ON THE AFTERNOON OF JULY 16, WE WILL HAVE READY A PRESS COMMENT NOTING THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE CANADIAN SUPPLY SITUATION AND NOTING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT TO CONSULT WITH US ON POSSIBLE

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SUPPLY INTERRUPTIONS SO AS TO BE FOREWARNED AND TO MINIMIZE THE IMPACT TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE. WE WILL ALSO NOTE THAT THIS SITUATION AGAIN POINTS UP THE NEED FOR URGENT DECISIONS ON BOTH CONSERVATION AND PRICE DEREGULATION TO INCREASE THE AVAILABILITY OF NATURAL

GAS.

2. JULES KATZ MET TODAY WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FARM BUREAU TO DISCUSS FOOD RESERVES PROPOSAL. THE FARM BUREAU IS THE SINGLE LARGEST FARM ORGANIZATION IN THE U.S.; IT IS POLITICALLY POWERFUL AND ESPECIALLY CLOSE TO THE PRESIDENT. TRADITIONALLY THE FARM BUREAU HAS OPPOSED GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS IN AGRICULTURE AND COMES AS CLOSE TO PURITY AS FREE MARKETEERS AS ANYONE IN THE POLITICAL SPECTRUM. THE MEETING WAS USEFUL IN CONVEYING TO THE FARM BUREAU REPRESENTATIVES AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE REASONS FOR OUR PROPOSAL. IT MAY HAVE NEUTRALIZED TO SOME EXTENT THEIR OPPOSITION, BUT THEY ARE NOT LIKELY TO OPENLY SUPPORT OUR PROPOSAL. IT WOULD BE PARTICULARLY USEFUL IF AT SOME POINT SOON YOU COULD MEET WITH MR. KUHFUSS, PRESIDENT OF THE FARM BUREAU.

3. DISCUSSION WITH SENATOR KENNEDY. SPENT TWO HOURS THIS AFTERNOON WITH KENNEDY GOING OVER DIALOGUE, YOUR KANSAS CITY AND PARIS SPEECHES, OIL POLICY, FOOD RESERVES, AND AVIATION.

BOTH FOR POLITICAL AND REGIONAL REASONS, KENNEDY IS NOT TO BE MOVED ON OIL DECONTROL, OR INDEED ON ANY OF THE DEMAND RESTRAINT ISSUES ON OIL. BUT HE WILL RESPOND ON MOST OF THE POSITIVE ACTION: EMERGENCY PLANNING (WE STILL NEED THIS FOR THE IEA AND HAVE'NT GOT IT), OIL

STOCKS, ALTERNATIVE SOURCES. HE WILL BE HELPFUL ON THE DIALOGUE, ALTHOUGH HE WARNED ME THAT WE CAN HIT SOME SENSITIVE NERVES ON INDIVIDUAL COMMODITY PACTS.

HE SAID HE WOULD WORK ACTIVELY FOR US ON GRAINS RESERVES.

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NEA, ATHERTON

1. I TESTIFIED FOR TWO AND ONE HALF HOURS TODAY BEFORE THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE ON SENATOR CASE'S RESOLUTION TO DISAPPROVE OUR SALE OF THE AIR-DEFENSE PACKAGE TO JORDAN. LT. GEN. FISH (DOD) APPEARED WITH ME AND PROVIDED USEFUL BACKUP SUPPORT. SPARKMAN, SYMINGTON, BIDEN, CLARK, CASE, JAVITS AND PERCY WERE PRESENT AT VARIOUS TIMES. SPARKMAN AND PERCY WERE PARTICULARLY HELPFUL. THE LINE OF QUESTIONING FOCUSED ON THREE PRINCIPAL CONCERNS: (1) THAT THE REDEYE MIGHT FALL INTO TERRORIST HANDS; (2) THAT GOING AHEAD ON THE JORDAN PROGRAM DURING OUR POLICY REASSESSMENT, WHILE CERTAIN NEW ITEMS FOR ISRAEL ARE BEING HELD UP, IS DISCRIMINATORY

(JAVITS IN PARTICULAR STRESSED THIS POINT); (3) THAT THE HAWK IN PARTICULAR IS A THREAT TO ISRAEL AND EFFECTS THE MILITARY BALANCE AND (4) THAT ACQUISITION OF AIR DEFENSE ENSURES JORDANIAN PARTICIPATION IN ANY RENEWED HOSTILITIES. I STRESSED STRONGLY THE POTENTIALLY SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES FOR U.S.-JORDANIAN RELATIONS AND OUR LONG RUN OBJECTIVES AND INTERESTS IF THE SALE IS DENIED. IN THIS CONNECTION, I POINTED OUT THAT JORDAN HAS MADE THE DECISION TO ACQUIRE AIR DEFENSE AND HAS THE FUNDS,

SO THE ONLY QUESTION IS FROM WHOM IT PURCHASES THE SYSTEM. MY IMPRESSION IS THAT THE HEARING WAS ON BALANCE HELPFUL FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW. I TESTIFY TOMORROW AFTERNOON BEFORE THE FASCELL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE HIRC, AND THE SENATE COMMITTEE HAS SCHEDULED A FURTHER HEARING FOR FRIDAY, INCLUDING PART IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

L - MARK B. FELDMAN, ACTING

--FELDMAN TALKED WITH AMBASSADOR MARTIN CONCERNING HIS POSSIBLE TESTIMONY TO THE CHURCH COMMITTEE ON JULY 24 ON OIL COMPANY PAYMENTS IN ITALY.

--FELDMAN REVIEWED AND REVISED LEGAL MEMORANDUM ON TURKEY'S RIGHTS TO SUSPEND U.S. BASE AGREEMENTS IN RESPONSE TO CONGRESSIONAL EMBARGO ON MILITARY SALES AND SHIPMENTS TO TURKEY. L CONCLUDES THAT U. S. IS NOT IN
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BREACH OF ITS AGREEMENTS WITH TURKEY AND THAT TURKEY HAS NO LEGAL RIGHT TO SUSPEND OUR BASE AGREEMENTS WITHOUT INVOKING THE FORMAL PROCEDURES FOR TERMINATION OF THE 1969 DCA.

--FELDMAN CONSULTED WITH W.D.ROGERS ON NEED TO MODIFY ENGLISH VERSION OF RECENT OAS RESOLUTION ON TNE'S TO MAKE CLEAR THAT THE PROPOSED CODE OF CONDUCT IS NOT TO BE BINDING ON TNE'S.

--SCHWEBEL PREPARED AND TRANSMITTED TO EB A DRAFT CABLE TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN LONDON APPROVING ITS PROPOSED DEMARCHE TO HMG IN RESPECT OF DRAFT LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD REVISE NORTH SEA OIL LICENSES HELD BY AMERICAN COMPANIES, WHILE NOTING THAT THE DEMARCHE SHOULD BE BASED ESSENTIALLY ON POLICY RATHER THAN LEGAL GROUNDS SINCE IT IS NOT CLEAR THAT THE U.K. ENACTMENTS WOULD VIOLATE INTERNATIONAL LAW.

--SCHWEBEL PREPARED A RESPONSE FOR MR. SISCO'S CONSIDERATION TO A CABLE FROM THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN CAIRO RECOMMENDING THAT THE U. S. NOT ACCEPT EGYPTIAN PROPOSALS FOR DISPOSING OF PRIVATE AMERICAN CLAIMS AGAINST EGYPT.

--SCHWEBEL REVIEWED THE CSCE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES WHICH, WITH MINOR DESIRABLE BUT NOT ESSENTIAL REVISIONS, ARE IN TOLERABLE SHAPE.

PM - GSVEST - DAILY ACTIVITY REPORT - 7/15/75

US/FRG TALKS--NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS ACTIVITIES--WE HAVE CONCLUDED TWO DAYS OF FRIENDLY AND USEFUL TALKS WITH THE FRG (AMBASSADOR BALKEN HEADING A DELEGATION FROM BONN) ON COMMON UNDERSTANDINGS ON NUCLEAR EXPORT POLICIES, IN PREPARATION FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER IN LONDON. TALKS FOCUSED ON THE GUIDELINES PAPER PREPARED AT THE JUNE SUPPLIERS MEETING. ALTHOUGH FRG HAS NOT TAKEN FINAL GOVERNMENT POSITION ON THE ISSUES, THE GERMANS GENERALLY SUPPORTED THE US POSITION IN MOST AREAS AND WERE MUCH CONCERNED THAT THE FRG SHOULD NOT BE THE "LEAST COMMON DENOMINATOR" IN THIS
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ACTIVITY.

IN PRIVATE TALKS WITH AMBASSADOR BALKEN CONCERNING FRG NEGOTIATIONS WITH IRAN ON NUCLEAR COOPERATION, HE ASSURED ME THAT:

-- THE FRG WANTED TO AVOID SITUATION VIS-A-VIS THE U.S. THAT OCCURRED WITH REGARD TO THE FRG/BRAZIL AGREEMENT;

-- THEREFORE, FRG WOULD NOT PROCEED WITH IRAN NEGOTIATIONS UNTIL AFTER SEPTEMBER SUPPLIERS MEETING AND WOULD THEN TAKE OUTCOME OF SUPPLIERS DISCUSSIONS FULLY INTO ACCOUNT IN IRAN AGREEMENT; AND

-- FRG STRONGLY DESIRED TO WORK CLOSELY WITH US DURING IRAN NEGOTIATIONS AND WOULD CONSULT FULLY WITH US IN SEPTEMBER BEFORE GOING AHEAD WITH THE IRAN AGREEMENT.

ARA:WDROGERS

ECUADOR -- BOB INGERSOLL, CARL MAW AND I HAD LUNCH WITH ECUADOREAN AMBASSADOR CARDENAS. DISCUSSION CENTERED ON PROSPECTS FOR REGIONAL TUNA CONSERVATION ARRANGEMENT WHICH WOULD EFFECTIVELY END THIS LONG-STANDING DISPUTE. CARDENAS BELIEVES THE GOE WOULD WELCOME A MEETING ON THE SUBJECT WITH OTHER INTERESTED COUNTRIES DURING THE UNGA IN NEW YORK IN SEPTEMBER, AND GENERALLY SEEMED INTERESTED IN PURSUING EFFORTS TO FIND A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM. ON ECUADOR'S RECENT OIL PRICE REDUCTION, HE CLEARLY HOPES WE REGARD THIS AS A CONSTRUCTIVE STEP AND THAT THE PRICE CUT WILL

FAVORABLY INFLUENCE THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE AS IT APPROACHES A DECISION ON THE GREENE AMENDMENT.

EA - MR. HABIB

THIS AFTERNOON I RETURNED FROM MY TALKS WITH THE BRITISH. I FOUND NO SURPRISES IN THEIR ATTITUDES AND THAT THEY GENERALLY AGREE WITH OUR VIEWS ON SOUTHEAST ASIAN AFFAIRS. I WILL BE SUBMITTING A FULLER REPORT OF OUR TALKS IN A

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SEPARATE MEMORANDUM.

MIKI VISIT. IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR INSTRUCTIONS, RELAYED THROUGH JERRY BREMER, OWEN ZURHELLEN INFORMED THE JAPANESE EMBASSY THAT THE DECISION HAD BEEN MADE TO MAINTAIN THE ORIGINAL SCHEDULE FOR THE MIKI VISIT, AUGUST 5-6, IN WASHINGTON. WE HAVE ALSO NOTIFIED AMBASSADOR HODGSON.

EUR - JAMES G. LOWENSTEIN, ACTING:

APOLLO-SOYUZ LAUNCH: ART HARTMAN WENT TO CAPE CANAVERAL TODAY FOR THE LAUNCH OF THE APOLLO SPACECRAFT. HE MADE THE TRIP WITH AMBASSADOR DOBRYNIN AND MANY OTHERS FROM THE GOVERNMENT AND DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY.

FRG CHARGE'S QUERIES ON PRESIDENT'S VISIT: FRG CHARGE HANSEN CALLED ON INSTRUCTIONS JULY 15 CONCERNING THE PRESIDENT'S POSSIBLE VISIT TO THE FRG. HANSEN SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED TO VERIFY THAT THE VISIT WOULD TAKE PLACE AS YOU DESCRIBED IT DURING YOUR RECENT STAY IN BONN, I.E. THAT THE PRESIDENT WOULD ARRIVE LATE ON JULY 26, REMAIN IN BONN EARLY JULY 27, DEPART BONN FOR SOUTH GERMANY TO VISIT US AND GERMAN TROOPS IN THE AFTERNOON OF JULY 27, RETURN THAT EVENING FOR DINNER IN BONN, AND DEPART BONN FOR WARSAW EARLY JULY 28. HANSEN ALSO SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED TO CHECK WHO WOULD BE TRAVELLING WITH THE PRESIDENT IN THE FRG, WHAT TOPICS THE PRESIDENT WOULD WISH TO DISCUSS AND WHETHER THE PRESIDENT WOULD STAY AT SCHLOSS GYMNICHE, THE OFFICIAL FRG GUEST HOUSE, DURING HIS VISIT. WE TOLD HANSEN WE WOULD PASS THE QUERIES ALONG BUT THAT THE DETAILS OF THE TRIP WERE STILL BEING WORKED OUT AT THIS POINT.

AF - NATHANIEL DAVIS

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND: I TESTIFIED TODAY DURING THE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE HEARINGS ON U.S. PARTICIPATION IN THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND.

TOMORROW: MR. IHONDE, PRESS SECRETARY TO GENERAL GOWON OF NIGERIA, WILL PAY A COURTESY CALL.

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H - ROBERT J. MCCLOSKEY

1.HAWKS TO JORDAN. ATHERTON & GEN.FISH MADE A GOOD RECORD AT TODAY'S OPEN SFRC HEARING ON THE CASE RESOLUTION. THE COMMITTEE HAS AGREED TO HOLD A FOLLOW-UP EXECUTIVE SESSION WHERE WE CAN PRESENT OUR POSITION MORE EFFECTIVELY.

OF 8 MEMBERS PRESENT, SPARKMAN AND PERCY VOICED SUPPORT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION POSITION AND WE BELIEVE BAKER ALSO WILL SUPPORT. CASE'S OPPOSITION WAS MORE ADAMANT THAN WE ANTICIPATED. HE IS INSISTING ON ANOTHER OPEN SESSION TO HEAR OUTSIDE WITNESSES. JAVITS IS VERY TROUBLED BY THE TIMING OF OUR DECISION, BUT FOUND OUR PRESENTATION REASONABLE AND SAID HE WOULD CONSIDER THE ISSUE CAREFULLY. PROSPECTS ARE UNCERTAIN, BUT BY NO MEANS PESSIMISTIC ON THE BASIS OF THIS FIRST SESSION. A PARALLEL HEARING WILL OPEN IN THE HOUSE TOMORROW.

2. CONGRESSMAN PEPPER WITHDRAWS LETTER ON ISRAEL. IN A NEW "DEAR COLLEAGUE" LETTER DISTRIBUTED YESTERDAY, CONGRESSMAN PEPPER IN EFFECT WITHDREW HIS JUNE 26 LETTER CALLING FOR HOUSE SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL. NOTING THE SENSITIVITY OF THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, HE SUGGESTED THAT FURTHER ACTION ON HIS EARLIER LETTER WAS NOT APPROPRIATE, BUT THAT IT COULD BE REVIVED SHOULD THE NEED DEVELOP IN THE FUTURE.

3. SISCO AND I MET WITH A SMALL GROUP REPRESENTING THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS FOR PEACE THROUGH LAW (MCPL) WHICH INCLUDED BRADEMAS AND SARBANES THIS AFTERNOON. MUCH OF THE EXCHANGE COVERED FAMILIAR GROUND AND FRANKLY DID NOT ADVANCE MATTERS FOR OUR INTEREST. BIESTER (R., PENNA.), THE CHAIRMAN, STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE ADMINISTRATION AND DID SOME ARGUING WITH BRADEMAS AND SARBANES. SIEBERLING (D., OHIO) WHO INVOKES THE "BUYING A PIG IN A POKE" RESERVATION REMAINS UNCONVINCED AND MAY ADDRESS A SPECIFIC QUESTION TO YOU AT THE BREAKFAST ON THURSDAY MORNING. TWICE TODAY, HE REFERRED TO A CONVERSATION HE CLAIMS TO HAVE HAD WITH YOU LAST AUGUST DESCRIBING YOU AS MORE CONCERNED "EVEN THAT FAR BACK" WITH THE "GEO-POLITICAL" SITUATION IN THE AREA
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THAN WITH CYPRUS. SEPARATELY, DICK OTTINGER, WHO STILL MAY BE ABLE TO INFLUENCE OTHERS, TOLD ME TODAY HE WOULD VOTE WITH THE ADMINISTRATION.

BILL BROOMFIELD TOLD GOLDBERG THAT HE WILL JOIN WITH

CHAIRMAN MORGAN IN A "DEAR COLLEAGUE" LETTER URGING

H- MCCLOSKEY (CONTINUED)

SUPPORT OF THE BILL. AT THE SAME TIME, HE SUGGESTED THAT DON FRASER BE ASKED TO LOBBY IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL. HE THOUGHT THAT THIS WOULD BEST BE ACCOMPLISHED IN THE THURSDAY MORNING BREAKFAST AT THE WHITE HOUSE AND IN YOUR MEETING WITH FRASER THAT AFTERNOON.

4. WE WILL BE DOING TALKING POINTS FOR YOU FOR THE THURSDAY BREAKFAST IN ADDITION TO CONTRIBUTING TO THOSE BEING DONE FOR THE PRESIDE;T. INGERSOLL

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